

MI Child Support Formula - RE: Proposed changes to Child Support Guidelines

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I have reviewed some of the changes that are proposed for the child support guidelines and have a few comments.

With regard to ADM 2003-22:10, Shared Economic Responsibility 52 Overnights and Cubing: in my current situation, my ex husband has our 2 children for 80 overnights, with some extra overnights through out the year (as we agree on) but usually not over 100. If the changes were to occur, I would be effected in a negative way. Those 80 overnights only occur on the weekends, not during the week when I am the one responsible for our children's school lunches, school clothes, school supplies, child care, etc. The child support is very helpful in those situations. I do not ask my ex for any additional contributions because of the child support I receive. In addition, he has a wealthy family who, if this would become effective, purchases our children clothes, etc (their clothing is labeled by their dad and his mother as to which house the clothing stays at). So, in essence, he would not have to bear any of the expenses as I do. If the changes were to occur, I would not be able to get him to share in the expenses associated with the examples above. If he does not agree with certain expenses, he simply does not pay (examples: school tuition, child care). If I read the amendment correctly, it does not effect current child support orders, however, if he chooses to have it modified, I would be effected. Therefore, I do not favor the proposed changes to ADM 2003-11:10

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address and phone number below.

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